



WICKABOAG POND (West Brookfield)

General Information:

This 320-acre warm water pond is located just north of Route 9, about a quarter mile west of West Brookfield Center. The pond is characterized by light brown watercolor with a transparency of eight feet. The mean and maximum depths are seven feet and 11 feet respectively. Shoreline development is extensive with summer cottages and year-round homes. A town owned beach and access site is located in the southeast corner of the pond. There is also some limited shoreline access off Wickaboag Valley Road on the northeast corner of the pond.

Fish Populations:

The fish population was most recently studied during a 1995 summer survey. Thirteen species were collected: white perch, yellow perch, pumpkinseeds, white sucker, golden shiner, largemouth bass, bluegill, chain pickerel, brown bullhead, black crappie, redbreasted sunfish, yellow bullhead and banded killifish.

Fishing:

There are good populations of largemouth bass and chain pickerel at Wickaboag Pond. It would appear to be an interesting spring, early summer or fall spot for bass and pickerel fishing. Fishermen access is no problem at that time, and there is the least conflict between fishing and other recreational uses such as boating and water skiing.

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